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## Amendments to the claims

Please cancel Claims 6-9, 12, 13, 16-21, 31, 32 without prejudice to applicants' right to pursue prosecution of these claims in a later-filed continuation or divisional application, amend Claims 1-3 and 34-37, and add new Claims 38-42, as follows.

1. (currently amended). A compound represented by the formula:

$$H$$
 $D$ 
 $A$ 
 $H$ 
 $D$ 
 $A$ 
 $B$ 

wherein

A is a <u>an N-linked</u> nicotinamide group, a <u>an N-linked unsubstituted</u> pyridyl group, a <u>an N-linked substituted</u> pyrimidyl group, an O-linked <u>unsubstituted</u> phenyl group, an O-linked <u>substituted</u> pyridyl group, an O-linked <u>unsubstituted</u> pyridyl group, an O-linked <u>unsubstituted</u> pyrimidyl group, an O-linked <u>unsubstituted</u> pyrimidyl group, an S-linked <u>unsubstituted</u> phenyl group, an S-linked <u>substituted</u> phenyl group, an S-linked <u>unsubstituted</u> pyridyl group, an S-linked <u>substituted</u> pyridyl group, an S-linked <u>unsubstituted</u> pyrimidyl group;

B is hydrogen, or a halogen, amino, or thiol group;

C is hydrogen, or a halogen, amino, or thiol group; and

D is a primary alcohol, hydrogen, or

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an oxygen, nitrogen, carbon, or sulfur linked to

phosphate, a phosphoryl group, a pyrophosphoryl group, or adenosine monophosphate through a phosphodiester or carbon-, nitrogen-, or sulfur-substituted phosphodiester bridge, or to

adenosine diphosphate through a phosphodiester or carbon-, nitrogen-, or sulfur-substituted pyrophosphodiester bridge.

2 (currently amended). The compound of claim 1, wherein A is an N-linked aryl group nicotinamide group, an N-linked unsubstituted pyridyl group, an N-linked substituted pyridyl group or an N-linked unsubstituted pyrimidyl group.

3 (currently amended). The compound of claim 2, wherein A is a an N-linked nicotinamide group, an N-linked unsubstituted pyridyl group or a an N-linked substituted pyridyl group.

4 (original). The compound of claim 3, which is a nicotinamide 2'-deoxyriboside.

5 (original). The compound of claim 3, which is ß-1'-nicotinamide-2'-deoxyribose, ß-D-1'-nicotinamide-2'-deoxyribofuranoside, ß-1'-pyridyl-2'-deoxyribose, or 5'-phospho-1'-pyridyl-deoxyribose.

6-9 (canceled).

10 (original). The compound of claim 1, wherein both B and C are hydrogen, or either B or C is a halogen, amino, or thiol group and the other of B or C is hydrogen.

11 (original). The compound of claim 2, wherein both B and C are hydrogen, or either B or C is a halogen, amino, or thiol group and the other of B or C is hydrogen.

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12-13 (canceled).

14 (original). The compound of claim 1, wherein D is a primary alcohol or hydrogen.

15 (original). The compound of claim 2, wherein D is a primary alcohol or hydrogen.

16-29 (canceled).

30 (previously presented). The compound of claim 3, wherein both B and C are hydrogen, or either B or C is a halogen, amino, or thiol group and the other of B or C is hydrogen.

31-32 (canceled).

33 (previously presented). The compound of claim 3, wherein D is a primary alcohol or hydrogen.

34 (currently amended). The compound of claim 4 <u>10</u>, wherein D is a primary alcohol or hydrogen.

35 (currently amended). The compound of claim  $\frac{5}{11}$ , wherein D is a primary alcohol or hydrogen.

36 (currently amended). A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim  $\frac{3}{2}$  and a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.

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37 (currently amended). A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim 4 <u>2</u> and a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.

- 38 (new). A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim 3 and a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.
- 39 (new). A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim 4 and a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.
- 40 (new). A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim 5 and a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.
- 41 (new). A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim 10 and a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.
- 42 (new). A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim 11 and a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.